List of names of Odin

Odin (Old Norse Óðinn) is a widely attested god in Germanic mythology. The god is referred to by numerous names, particularly in the Old Norse record.

Name (Old Norse)	Name (anglicized)	Meaning[1]	Sources
Aldaföðr		father of men (or of the age/world)	*Óðins nöfn* (1), *Vafþrúðnismál* (4, 53)
Aldagautr		Gautr of men (or of the age/world)	*Baldrs draumar* (2)
Alföðr	Alfodr	Allfather, Father of All	*Gylfaginning*, *Skáldskaparmál*, *Grímnismál* (48), *Óðins nöfn* (2)
Algingautr		The aged Gautr	*The Icelandic rune poem*(4)
Angan Friggjar		Delight of Frigg	*Völuspá* (54)
Arnhöfði		Eagle Head	*Óðins nöfn* (2)
Atriðr, Atriði		attacking rider, 'At-Rider'	*Gylfaginning*, *Grímnismál* (48), *Óðins nöfn* (1)
Asagrim (< *Ásagrimmr)[2]		Lord of the Aesir	*Stolt Herr Alf*
Auðun		friend of wealth (Edwin, Audoin)	*Óðins nöfn* (1)
Bági ulfs		Enemy of the Wolf	*Sonatorrek* (23)
Baldrsfaðr		Balder's Father	
Báleygr	Baleyg	Flaming Eye, Shifty Eyed	*Gylfaginning*, *Skáldskaparmál*, *Grímnismál* (47), Hallfreðr vandræðaskálds *Hákonardrápa* (6), Gísl Illugasons *Erfikvæði um Magnús berfœtt* (1), *þulur*, *Óðins nöfn* (6), *Grettisrímur V* (61)
Biflindi	/	Spear Shaker, Shield Shaker	*Gylfaginning*, *Grímnismál* (49), *Óðins nöfn* (6)
Bileygr	Bileyg	Flashing Eye or Wavering Eye	*Gylfaginning*, *Grímnismál* (47), *þulur*, *Óðins nöfn* (5)
Blindi, Blindr	/	Blind	*Gylfaginning*, *Helgakviða Hundingsbana II*(prose)
Brúni, Brúnn		Brown, Bear	*Óðins nöfn* (6)
Böðgæðir		Battle Enhancer	
Bölverkr		'Bale-Worker' or Evil Worker or Evil Deed	*Gylfaginning*, *Skáldskaparmál*, *Hávamál* (109), *Grímnismál* (47), *Óðins nöfn* (7)
Bragi		Chieftain	
Bróðir Vilis, Bróðir Vilja		Vili's Brother	
Burr Bors		Borr's Son	
Byrlindi		Distorted version of Biflindi[3]	*Sturlaugsrímur III* (50)
Darraðr, Dorruðr		Spearman	
Draugadróttinn		Lord of the undead	*Ynglinga saga*
Dresvarpr			*Óðins nöfn* (2)

Ein sköpuðr galdra		Sole Creator of Magical Songs	
Ennibrattr		High (lit., 'straight') forehead	*Óðins nöfn* (6)
Eylúðr		The ever booming	*Óðins nöfn* (6)
Faðmbyggvir Friggjar		Dweller in Frigg's Embrace	
Faðr galdr		Father of Magical Songs	
Farmagnuðr, Farmögnuðr		journey empowerer	*Háleygjatal* (2), *Skáldskaparmál*
Farmaguð, Farmatýr	Farmagud, Farmatyr	God of Cargoes (or Burdens)	*Gylfaginning*, *Skáldskaparmál*, *Grímnismál* (48), *Óðins nöfn* (2)
Farmr arma Gunnlaðar		Burden of Gunnlöð's Arms	
Farmr galga		Gallows' Burden	
Fengr		Fetcher or Catcher	*Óðins nöfn* (2)
Fimbultýr	Fimbultyr	Mighty God	*Völuspá* (60)
Fimbulþulr[4]	Fimbulthul	Mighty Thuler	*Hávamál* (80, 142)
Fjallgeiguðr		Shape god	*Óðins nöfn* (2)
Fjölnir[5]	Fjolnir	Wise One, concealer, "the One who is many".	*Grímnismál* (47), *Reginsmál* (18), *Gylfaginning* (3, 20), many skaldic poems, *þulur*, *Óðins nöfn* (2), *Skíðaríma* (91, 174)
Fjölsviðr	Fjolsvid, Fjolsvin	Very Wise	*Gylfaginning*, *Grímnismál* (47), *Óðins nöfn* (2)
Fjörgynn	Fjorgyn	Masculine counterpart of feminine Fjörgyn meaning "land/earth"	*Lokasenna* (26), *Völuspá* (56)
Foldardróttinn		Lord of the Earth	
Forni		Ancient One	
Fornölvir		Ancient Ölvir	*Óðins nöfn* (2)
Fráríðr, Fráríði		The one who rides forth	*Óðins nöfn* (2), *Grettisrímur III* (1), *Sturlaugsrímur VI* (47)
Frumverr Friggjar		First husband of Frigg	
Fundinn		The Found	*Óláfsrímur Tryggvasonar A III* (1)
Gagnráðr	Gagnrad	Advantage Counsel	*Vafþrúðnismál* (8, 9, 11, 13, 15, 17)
Galdraföðr		Father of Magical Songs	

Gangari, Ganglari, Gangleri [6]	/	Wanderer or Wayweary	*Gylfaginning*, *Grímnismál* (46), *Óðins nöfn* (3)
Gangráðr		'Gain Rede,' Contrary advisor, Journey Advisor	*Óðins nöfn* (3)
Gapþrosnir		The one in gaping frenzy	*Óðins nöfn* (3)
Gautatýr	Gautatyr	God of the Geats	*Skáldskaparmál*, Eyvindr skáldaspillir's *Hákonarmál* (1)
Gautr[7]	Gaut	Gautr	*Gylfaginning*, *Skáldskaparmál*, *Grímnismál* (54), *Óðins nöfn* (1), *Friðþjófsrímur*, *Skíðaríma*, *Landrésrímur*, *Hjálmþérsrímur*, *Geiplur*, *Bjarkarímur*, *Griplur*, *Þrændlur*, *Skáldhelgarímur*, *Blávusrímur*, *Geirarðsrímur*, *Völsungsrímur*
Geiguðr		Dangler	*Óðins nöfn* (3)
Geirlöðnir		Spear inviter	*Óðins nöfn* (3)
Geirölnir		Spear charger	*Óðins nöfn* (5)
Geirtýr		Gore/Spear God	
Geirvaldr		Gore/Spear Master	
Geldnir	*Gelging*	Eunuch	
Ginnarr		Deceiver	*Óðins nöfn* (1)
Gizurr[8]		Riddler	*Óðins nöfn* (1)
Gestumblindi	/	Blind Guest	*Hervarar saga* (10), *þulur*, *Óðins nöfn* (7)
Glapsviðr	Glapsvid, Glapsvin	Swift in Deceit, Swift Tricker, Maddener, Wise in magical spells	*Gylfaginning*, *Grímnismál* (47), *Óðins nöfn* (3)
Goði hrafnblóts		Goði of the Raven-offering	
Goðjaðarr		God Protector	
Göllnir		Yeller	*Óðins nöfn* (3)
Gollorr		Yeller	*Óðins nöfn* (1)
Göllungr		Yeller	*Óðins nöfn* (5)
Göndlir [9]	Gondlir	Wand-Bearer, Wand-Wielder	*Gylfaginning*, *Grímnismál* (49), *Óðins nöfn* (3)
Gramr Hliðskjálfar		King of Hliðskjalf	
Grímnir	Grimnir	Hooded, Masked One	*Gylfaginning*, *Grímnismál* (introduction, 47, 49), Hallfreðr vandræðaskálds *lausavísur* (9), Eilífr Goðrúnarsons *Þórsdrápa* (3), *Húsdrápa* (1), Rögnvaldr kali Kolssons *lausavísur* (7), *þulur*, *Óðins nöfn* (1)
Grímr	Grim	Mask	*Gylfaginning*, *Grímnismál* (46, 47), *þulur*, *Óðins nöfn* (3, 7)
Gunnblindi		Battle blinder	*Óðins nöfn* (8)
Hagvirkr		Skillful worker	*Óðins nöfn* (4)
Hangadróttinn		Lord of the	*Ynglinga saga*

		hanged	
Hangaguð, Hangatýr	Hangagud, Hangatyr	God of the Hanged	*Gylfaginning*, *Skáldskaparmál*
Hangi		Hanged One	
Haptabeiðir		Commander of Leaders	
Haptaguð	Haptagud	God of Prisoners	*Gylfaginning*
Haptasnytrir		Teacher of gods	
Haptsönirî		Fetter Loosener	
Hárbarðr	Harbard	Hoary Beard, Grey Beard	*Gylfaginning*, *Grímnismál* (49), *Hárbardsljód*, *þulur*, *Óðins nöfn* (3)
Hárr	Har	High	*Gylfaginning*, *Grímnismál* (46), *Óðins nöfn* (2)
Harri Hliðskjálfar		Lord of Hliðskjalf	
Hávi	Havi	High One	*Hávamál* (109, 111, 164), *Óðins nöfn* (4)
Heimþinguðr hanga		Visitor of the Hanged	
Helblindi [10]	/	Hel Blinder	*Gylfaginning*, *Grímnismál* (46)
Hengikeptr, Hengikjopt		Hang jaw	*Óðins nöfn* (4)
Herblindi		Host blinder	*Óðins nöfn* (5)
Herföðr, Herjaföðr	Herfodr, Herjafodr	Father of Hosts	*Gylfaginning*, *Völuspá* (29, 43), *Vafthrúdnismál* (2), *Grímnismál* (19, 25, 26), *Óðins nöfn* (5)
Hergautr		Host Gautr	
Herjan	/	Warrior, Harrier, Lord, Leader of Hosts	*Gylfaginning*, *Grímnismál* (46), *Óðins nöfn* (2), *Völuspá* (31)
Herteitr	Herteit	Glad of War	*Gylfaginning*, *Grímnismál* (47), *Óðins nöfn* (3)
Hertýr	Hertyr	Host-Tyr or God of Hosts	*Skáldskaparmál*
Hildolfr		Battle Wolf	
Hjaldrgegnir		Engager of Battle	
Hjaldrgoð		God of battle	
Hjálmberi	Hjalmberi	Helmet Bearer	*Gylfaginning*, *Grímnismál* (46), *þulur*, *Óðins nöfn* (2)
Hjarrandi		Screamer	*Óðins nöfn* (4)
Hléfreyr		Famous/barrow lord	*Óðins nöfn* (5)
Hleifruðr		Wayfinder	*Óðins nöfn* (4)
Hnikarr	Hnikar	Overthrower, Thruster	*Gylfaginning*, *Grímnismál* (47), *Reginsmál* (18, 19), *Óðins nöfn* (2)
Hnikuðr	Hnikud	Overthrower	*Gylfaginning*, *Grímnismál* (48), *Óðins nöfn* (1)
Hoárr		One Eyed	

Hötter		Hatter, hat-wearer	
Hovi		High One	
Hrafnaguð, Hrafnáss	Hrafnagud	Raven God	*Gylfaginning*
Hrafnfreistuðr		Raven tester	
Hrami		Fetterer, Ripper	*Óðins nöfn* (4)
Hrani		Blusterer	
Hrjóðr		Roarer	*Óðins nöfn* (4)
Hroptr, Hroptatýr	Hropt, Hroptatyr	Sage[11]	*Gylfaginning*, *Skáldskaparmál*, *Hákonarmál* (14), Úlfr Uggason's *Húsdrápa* (8), *Hávamál* (160), *Grímnismál* (54), *Sigrdrífumál* (13), *Óðins nöfn* (2, 3, 5), *Völuspá* (62)
Hrosshársgrani		Horse hair moustache	*Gautreks saga*, *Óðins nöfn* (4)
Hvatmóðr		Courage of the whet-stone	*Óðins nöfn* (5)
Hveðrungr		Roarer or Weather-maker	*Óðins nöfn* (5)
Ít-rekr		"glorious ruler"[12]	
Jafnhárr	Jafnhar	'Evenhigh,' Just as High, Equally High	*Gylfaginning*, *Grímnismál* (49), *Óðins nöfn* (8)
Jalfaðr		Yellow-brown Back	
Jálg, Jálkr	Jalk	Gelding or Gelder	*Gylfaginning*, *Grímnismál* (49, 54), *Óðins nöfn* (7)
Jarngrímr		Iron Mask	
Jólnir, Jölnir		Yule figure	*Óðins nöfn* (7)
Jolfr		Horse-wolf, bear	
Jölfuðr, Jölföðr		Yule father	*Óðins nöfn* (8)
Jörmunr		The mighty one, cosmic	*Óðins nöfn* (8)
Kjalarr	Kjalar	Keel, Nourisher	*Gylfaginning*, *Skáldskaparmál*, *Grímnismál* (49), *Óðins nöfn* (1)
Langbarðr	Langbard	Long Beard	*þulur*, *Óðins nöfn* (7)
Löndungr, Loðungr		Shaggy Cloak Wearer	*Óðins nöfn* (7)
Niðr Bors		Borr's Kin	
Njótr		User, enjoyer or needed one	*Óðins nöfn* (6)
Ófnir		Inciter	*Óðins nöfn* (7)
Olgr		Protector, Hawk	*Óðins nöfn* (6)
Ómi	Omi	Resounding one	*Gylfaginning*, *Grímnismál* (49), *Óðins nöfn* (7)
Óski	Oski	God of Wishes, Wished For	*Gylfaginning*, *Grímnismál* (49), *Óðins nöfn* (8)

Rauðgrani		Red Mustache	Bárðar saga Snæfellsáss 18;[13] Oˌrvar-Odds saga 19f.[14]
Reiðartýr		Wagon God or God of riders	
Rögnir		Chief ('He that reigns')	*Óðins nöfn* (5)
Rúnatýr		God of Runes	
Runni vagna		Mover of Constellations	
Saðr	Sadr, Sann	Truthful, Sooth	*Gylfaginning*, *Grímnismál* (47), *Óðins nöfn* (8)
Sanngetall	/	Finder of Truth/Sooth	*Gylfaginning*, *Grímnismál* (47), *Óðins nöfn* (7)
Síðgrani	Sidgrani	Long Beard	*Alvíssmál* (6)
Síðhöttr	Sidhott [15]	Broad Hat	*Gylfaginning*, *Grímnismál* (48), *þulur*, *Óðins nöfn* (4)
Síðskeggr	Sidskegg	Long Beard	*Gylfaginning*, *Grímnismál* (48), *þulur*, *Óðins nöfn* (6)
Sigðir		Victory giver	*Óðins nöfn* (6)
Sigföðr	Sigfodr	Father of Victory, War Father	*Gylfaginning*, *Völuspá* (54), *Grímnismál* (48), *Óðins nöfn* (4)
Siggautr		Victory Geat	*Óðins nöfn* (6)
Sigrhofundr		Victory Author	
Sigmundr		Victory protection	*Óðins nöfn* (6)
Sigrúnnr		Victory Tree	
Sigtryggr		Sure of victory (Victory-true)	*Óðins nöfn* (8)
Sigtýr[16]	Sigtyr	God of Victory, War God	*Skáldskaparmál*, *Atlakviða* (30), Glúmr Geirasonˈs *Gráfeldardrápa* (12)
Sigþrór		Successful in victory, Thriving in victory	*Óðins nöfn* (8)
Skilfingr	Skilfing	Trembler or he of Hlidshilf	*Gylfaginning*, *Grímnismál* (54), *Óðins nöfn* (8)
Skollvaldr		Ruler of treachery	*Óðins nöfn* (6)
Sonr Bestlu		Son of Bestla	
Spjalli Gauta		Friend of the Goths	
Sváfnir [17]	Svafnir	Sleep bringer, Closer	*Gylfaginning*, *Grímnismál* (54), *Óðins nöfn* (4)
Sveigðir		Reed Bringer (see the story of Vikarr)	
Sviðarr	Svidar		*Gylfaginning*
Sviðrir	Svidrir	Calmer	*Gylfaginning*, *Grímnismál* (50), *Óðins nöfn* (6)
Sviðuðr			*Óðins nöfn* (4)
Sviðurr	Svidur	Wise One	*Gylfaginning*, *Skáldskaparmál*, *Grímnismál* (50), *Óðins nöfn* (6)
Svipall	/	Changing, Fleeting (or	*Gylfaginning*, *Grímnismál* (47), *Óðins nöfn* (3)

		shape-shifter)	
Svölnir	Svolnir	Cooler	*Skáldskaparmál*, *Óðins nöfn* (6)
Tveggi		Double, Twofold	*Óðins nöfn* (8) *Völuspá* (63)
Tvíblindi	Tviblindi	Twice Blind	*þulur*, *Óðins nöfn* (4)
Þekkr	Thekk	Known, Welcome One	*Gylfaginning*, *Grímnismál* (46), *Óðins nöfn* (7)
Þrasarr		Quarreler	*Óðins nöfn* (4)
Þriði	Thridi	Third	*Gylfaginning*, *Skáldskaparmál*, *Grímnismál* (46), *Óðins nöfn* (5)
Þriggi		Triple	
Þrór	Thror	Burgeoning, Thriving	*Gylfaginning*, *Grímnismál* (49), *Óðins nöfn* (8)
Þróttr	Thrott	Strength	*Glymdrápa* (2)
Þuðr	Thud, Thunn	Lean, Pale	*Gylfaginning*, *Óðins nöfn* (7)
Þundr	Thund	Thunderer	*Gylfaginning*, *Hávamál* (145), *Grímnismál* (46, 54), *Óðins nöfn* (7)
Uðr	Ud, Unn[18]	Loved, Beloved, Striver	*Gylfaginning*, *Grímnismál* (46), *Óðins nöfn* (7)
Váfuðr	Vafud	Wanderer	*Gylfaginning*, *Skáldskaparmál*, *Grímnismál* (54)
Váfuðr Gungnis		Swinger of Gungnir	
Váði vitnis		Foe of the Wolf	
Vakr	Vak	Wakeful, Awakener	*Gylfaginning*, *Grímnismál* (54), *Óðins nöfn* (7)
Valdr galga		Ruler of Gallows	
Valdr vagnbrautar		Ruler of Heaven	
Valföðr	Valfodr	Father of the Slain	*Gylfaginning*, *Völuspá* (1, 27, 28), *Grímnismál* (48), *þulur*, *Óðins nöfn* (5)
Valgautr	Valgaut	Slaughter-Geat, Geat of the Slain	*Skáldskaparmál*, *Óðins nöfn* (8)
Valkjosandi		Chooser of the Slain	
Valtamr, Valtam		Slain Tame, The Warrior	
Valtýr		Slain God	
Valþognir		Slain Receiver	
Vegtam	/	Wanderer or Way-tame	*Baldrs draumar* (6, 13)
Veratýr	Veratyr	God of men, God of being	*Gylfaginning*, *Óðins nöfn* (8)
Viðfräger		Wide Famed	
Viðrir	Vidrir	Stormer	*Gylfaginning*, *Skáldskaparmál*, *Lokasenna* (26) *Hrafnagaldr Óðins* (9)

Viðrímnir, Viðhrimnir		Contrary screamer or 'wide hoary-beard'	*Óðins nöfn* (1)
Viðurr	Vidur	Killer	*Gylfaginning*, *Grímnismál* (49), *Óðins nöfn* (6), *Karlevi Runestone*
Vingnir		Swinger	*Óðins nöfn* (5)
Vinr Lopts		Friend of Loptr	
Vinr Lóðurs		Friend of Lóðurr	
Vinr Míms		Friend of Mímir	
Vinr stalla		Friend of Altars	
Vófuðr		Dangler	*Óðins nöfn* (5)
Völundr rómu		Smith of Battle	
Yggr	Ygg	Terrible One	*Gylfaginning*, *Skáldskaparmál*, *Völuspá* (28), *Grímnismál* (53, 54), *Óðins nöfn* (8)
Ýjungr, Ýrungr		Stormy or of the primal streams	*Óðins nöfn* (8)

In Old English, Odin was known as *Wōden*; in Old Saxon, as *Wōdan*; and in Old High German, as *Wuotan* or *Wōtan*.

In the 2001 Neil Gaiman novel *American Gods*, as well as the 2017 television series based on it, Odin goes mainly by the name *Mr. Wednesday*. This is a nod to the fact that the modern English name of the day Wednesday is, itself, derived from the Old English *Wōdnesdæg* (pronounced ['wo:dnezdæj]), which meant *Day of Woden* or *Woden's Day*.

Notes

1. These names can have other meanings and uses, see translation by Hringari Oðinssen (2000) (http://www.northvegr.org/lore/misc/007.php)
2. The use of *grimmR* and the later form *grim* in the sense "lord" has only a few occurrences from Sweden. In extant Icelandic material *grimmr* only appears as an adjective with the meaning "heartless", "strict" and "wicked", which can be compared with the use of adjective *gramr* ("wrath") as a name for "lord", see Runic Dictionary Entry for grimmR (http://runicdictionary.nottingham.ac.uk/fullentry.php?elem=159) at the runic dictionary of the university of Nottingham.
3. Finnur Jónsson (1926-28). *Ordbog til de af samfund til udg. af gml. nord. litteratur udgivne rímur samt til de af D. O. Jiriczek udgivne bósarimur*, pp. 51-51. København: J. Jørgensen & Co.
4. Also the name of a river, one of the Élivágar.
5. Also the name of a mythological king of Sweden Fjölnir.
6. Also an assumed name used by Gylfi.
7. Also the name of a member of a defunct Scandinavian nation, one of the Geats.
8. Also the name of a Geatish king, Gizurr.
9. "Geldnir" in other manuscripts.
10. Also the name of a brother of Loki.
11. The meaning is disputed according to Lindow but Larrington gives the translation "Sage" in the Poetic Edda.
12. inferred from *Ítreksjóð* "offspring of Ítrekr" in a some recencions of the Eddaic *þulur*. See Hannah Burrows in Chase (ed.), *Eddic, Skaldic, and Beyond: Poetic Variety in Medieval Iceland and Norway*, Oxford University Press, 2014, p. 122 (https://books.google.ch/books?id=KMXmCwAAQBAJ&pg=PA122).
13. ed. Þórhallur Vilmundarson/Bjarni Vilhjálmsson, Íslenzk fornrit 13, Reykjavík 1991, p. 163
14. ed. Guðni Jónsson, Fornaldar sögur Norðurlanda 2, Reykjavík 1954, pp. 279 ff
15. "Sidhofr" in other manuscripts.

16. In plural, *sigtívar* refers to the gods in many Eddic poems.
17. Also the name of a serpent found in the wellspring of Hvergelmir.
18. Also the name of one of the nine daughters of Ægir.

See also

- List of names of Thor
- List of kennings
- Mercurius Cimbrianus
- Names of God in Old English poetry

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